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CABINET RESIGNS.

Crisis in Affairs of Turkey.

Reports of Serious Conflicts in Bagdad Are Not Confirmed.

Intrigues in Chamber Force Grand Vizier Hilmi Pasha to Resign.

Tewfik Pasha Favored by the Committee of Union and Progress.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 28.—The whole Turkish cabinet resigned tonight, following the resignation of Hilmi Pasha, Grand Vizier, who withdrew from the ministry early in the day.

It is reported that serious conflicts have occurred at Bagdad, but this is not confirmed officially.

The immediate cause of the Pasha's resignation is not known, but recently attempts have been made in the chamber to overturn the ministry.

It is believed that the Committee of Union and Progress decided upon a change in the ministry because they regard the accusations against the former Grand Vizier, Kiamli Pasha, unjust.

It is understood the committee favors the appointment of Tewfik Pasha, present Ambassador at London, as Grand Vizier.

The Grand Vizier's resignation, it is understood, was due to intrigues against him in the chamber and to threats by the Committee of Union and Progress to engineer a parliamentary vote of want of confidence in the cabinet.

Reports hint at a military appointment, possibly with Gen. Scheffer Pasha as Hilmi Pasha's successor.

Hilmi Pasha was appointed Grand Vizier by the Sultan on the resignation of Kiamli Pasha on February 14, and the new cabinet was constituted May 5.

Soon after its formation the Chamber of Deputies and Senate voted confidence in the ministry after the government's policy was explained. This policy included economy to meet the financial deficit and the eradication of abuses that led to the Adana outbreaks.

The Committee of Union and Progress, moving spirit in the overthrow of Sultan Abdul Hamid, has since the change in administration, retained a firm grip on the governmental machinery.

SAYS HE'LL ARREST HEARST.

Accused Tammany Worker Charges Yellow Politician With Technical Election Fraud.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Louis A. Culliver, attorney for Francis Dolan, who is charged with aiding in the alleged Tammany theft of the Independence League machinery, in the September primaries, said in court today that he would apply for a warrant for the arrest of William R. Hearst in the next twenty-four hours.

Culliver declared that the charge would be electric hearing in that respect to obey the mandatory injunction of the law which specifies that delegates chosen at primaries must be summoned to the convention to which they are elected, even though the convention does nothing more than to adjourn sine die.

TRUST BUSTING.

STATE SAYS PHONE MERGER IS PROVED.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

JEFFERSON CITY (Mo.), Dec. 28.—Taking testimony in the telephone merger hearing was completed this afternoon with the exception of the hearing of two witnesses, who will be called at a supplementary hearing late in January.

Atty.-Gen. Major said he considered today's testimony of great value in showing that the American Telephone and Telegraph Company is a holding company for Missouri companies, in violation of the state corporation laws.

C. S. Gled of Topeka, Kan., president of the Bell Telephone Company of Missouri, and of the Missouri and Kansas Telephone Company, testified that his companies had purchased forty-five or fifty exchanges.

He said that patented rights of telephone used are leased from the American Bell Telephone Company of Boston, and that other supplies are purchased from the Western Electric Company.

HAS CURE FOR DIVORCE EVIL.

Psychopathic Healing Is to Be Used to Keep Domestic Troubles Out of Court.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

BOSTON (Mass.), Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Rev. Dr. Elwood Worcester, founder of the Emanuel movement of the psychopathic healing, is extending his work this year into many novel fields and believes that the end of the divorce evil will be the eventual triumph of the new cure. His method of mild mental suggestion, the introduction of happy thoughts among melancholy persons and the removal of the causes for divorce in the mental attitudes of husband and wife, is already proving efficacious in many threatened divorce cases that have come under his observation.

One of the prime causes for divorce, the liquor habit, is receiving special attention through his Boston club of alcoholics and his special classes. Dr. Worcester states emphatically, however, that suggestion plays only a small part in the Emanuel treatment. Appeal to conscience to reason and the better nature of patients have as much to do with the cures as anything else.

SCIENTIFIC.

DIVERSE SPECIES MUSTN'T MINGLE.

EMINENT PHYSICIAN DISCUSSES THE HOOKWORM.

substance" cast doubt on the accuracy of the copy. For this reason the merits of the case were not considered but the indictment declared valueless.

TWO BURN TO DEATH.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT)
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—J. B. Jobe and George Cook of this city were burned to death in a fire that destroyed a farm-house near Bush, Ill., forty miles distant, Christmas Day. Their charred bodies were found in the ruins of the home of J. R. Hamby yesterday, and the latter and his family returned from a holiday visit. It is believed the men had entered an abandoned house and built a fire, fell asleep and died when the building burned. Mrs. Jobe received a telegram notifying her of her husband's death as she was reading a Christmas card from him, mailed the day of his death.

CHICAGO HONORS PEARY.
(ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The Geographic Society of Chicago recognized Lieut.-Commander Robert E. Peary as the discoverer of the North Pole. A committee of the society decided to confer the honor of the highest gold medal which had been voted to the explorer in recognition of his services as a scientific man, as follows: "Awarded January 28, 1910, to Lieut.-Commander Robert E. Peary, U.S.N., for distinguished services in exploration and the first achievement of the North Pole, April 6, 1909." The medal will be presented to the naval officer at the society's annual banquet, January 28.

"CHILDREN IN PLATE" CASE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—The famous "children in flats" case came to an end today in Chicago with the main point in the final decision composed of. Robert F. Schenck, agent of a flat building, who, with W. L. Boylston, the owner, was charged with having refused to renew the lease of Rolla R. Longchecker, an attorney, because of children in his family, was discharged by Municipal Judge Himes, on the ground that there was no evidence to show that Mr. Longchecker had made application for the renewal of his lease. The suit was the first to result from the McNichols law passed last spring by the Legislature, making it a misdemeanor for landlords to refuse to rent quarters to families with children.

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LUCKY.

**NEW SENATOR
ONCE OUTLAW.**

COL. GORDON HAD PRICE PLACED
ON HEAD.

Was One of Confederate Leaders
Thought to Be Booth's Accomplice
in Assassination of Lincoln—
Reward of \$10,000 for His Arrest—
Former Poe Proves His Savior.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT

MEMPHIS (Tenn.) Dec. 28.—A special to the News-Scimitar says:

"Sought at one time by the Federal authorities under a \$10,000 reward for his capture, dead or alive, for alleged conspiracy in the murder of a President of the United States and an appointed member of the legislative body of that country, is the strange story of Col. James Gordon of Okolona, who has been named United States Senator by Gov. Noel as successor to the late A. J. McDaniel.

Mr. Gordon was one of several Confederate leaders suspected of being in

President with J. Wilson Booth and his brother, President Lincoln. He escaped arrest and was killed by death only a minute after the intervention of the colonel of a New York cavalry regiment, with whom he had crossed swords in a fight in Virginia, later becoming his friend.

In the earlier years of the war, Col. Gordon was the forerunner of his friendship with Booth and after the assassination of President Lincoln the reward of \$10,000 was offered for his capture.

Col. Gordon went to Canada and it was several months after the close of hostilities before he found it safe to return.

Col. Gordon wrote a letter to the New York coroner, denying that he had aided and abetted the conspiracy and stating that he desired to return home. The former foe took the matter up

With Gen. Dixie then in command of the army, forces in New York, and the latter sent him a passport and an invitation to come to New York and surrender, which he did. He afterwards satisfied Gen. Dixie that he knew nothing of the Lincoln conspiracy.

FARM VALUES INCREASE
Agriculture in United States Represents
\$3,000,000,000, or Forty-four Per
Cent. More Than in 1900.
[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES].
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dis-
patch.] "Farms of the United States,
with their buildings, implements and
live stock, are today worth almost
\$3,000,000,000. This is 44 per cent more
than in 1900. It is such increase in ag-

These statements are obtained in a publication sent out by the Orange Juice Farmer, a Chicago publication, telling of the census of the orange agriculture in the United States. Its January number contains the figures compiled show that the production of oranges in the United States in 1908 was valued at \$10,000,000 in 1880 to nearly 7,000,000 in 1908. The western section, including New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and other States, according to the census, produced 80 per cent of the oranges in the United States in 1908, an increase of 100 per cent in the last 28 years, and 190 per cent in the last 20 years. The figures show that there were

Only Texas and Iowa exceed Illinois in production.

SAN JACINTO HOT SPRINGS

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DOCTOR AND PATIENT DIE.

Petty Debts Drive Girl to Suicide; Physician Falls Dead at Bedside.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
WILLOW SPRINGS (Mo.) Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Miss Johnny Preston, aged 17, daughter of L. T. Preston, leading business man and former banker here, shot herself through the brain, from temple to temple, with a revolver at her home this afternoon. Dr. Abram Mullin, physician and vice-president of the Bank of Willow Springs, summoned to the dying girl, remarked as he looked at her:
"I'm going, too," and fell dead beside her.
A few petty debts which she owed different merchants are believed to have caused Miss Preston to shoot herself.

COMMERCIALISM AHEAD OF FLAG.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE SAYS GRAFT IS APPALLING.

Declares That It Is Regrettable That No Municipal Enterprise Can Be Consummated Without Riskless Escape of Dollars and That on Honest Public Building Would Be a Freak.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
TROY (N. Y.) Dec. 28.—The age of commercialism has yielded to the age of graft. Upmost in the minds of the people is not the stars and stripes, but the dollar mark.

Such was the declaration of Supreme Court Justice Westley O. Howard, in an opinion today reducing the compensation of members of a commission appointed to appraise damages to property resulting from the construction of the Ashokan reservoir in Ulster county, which is to furnish a water supply for New York City.

"While the commission furnishes avenues for the reckless escape of many dollars, there are other channels of leakage as wasteful as appalling," said Justice Howard.

"It is greatly to be regretted that no public enterprise can be projected and consummated without this appalling loss, called, graft. Graft is not necessarily an illegal expenditure of money, but it is that unnecessary construction of every public venture, at least 40 per cent. of all money appropriated for public use is lost in this frightful leak could be stopped by roads, canals, libraries, asylums and hospitals."

"Graft is as much an element to be reckoned with in computing the cost of a public structure as is cement or course—its rake off—a loss recognized by all who make estimates of cost in such cases. A public structure built honestly would be a freak."

SOMNAMBULIST O'ER-FOND.
Hears Sweetheart Call for Aid in Dream; Police Find Him Under Her Bed.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] The love affair of a somnambulist, who, while asleep can swing by a rope against the side of a house in order to gain the window of his lady, was related this afternoon in Jefferson Market Court, when Miss Emma Kintella appeared as the complainant against Lucien Berthier.

Miss Kintella said she awoke this morning at about 4 o'clock in her room with a queer feeling that some one was under her bed. She was frightened and let out one long, piercing scream. That brought two policemen, and she told them she was sure there was a man under the bed.

They looked, and, sure enough, dragged out Monsieur Berthier.

He explained his strange visit by declaring that he was a somnambulist. Last night, it appears, he had a dream. He saw his beloved in the grip of villains; they were choking her. She screamed for aid—alions, en garde, Lucien to the rescue! After that he remembers no more of his dream and cannot explain how he came to be under the bed.

Magistrate Barlow placed him on probation for thirty days.

FAMOUS STRUCTURE SOLD.
Madison Square Garden to Be Torn Down to Make Way for Modern Office Building.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Negotiations are practically closed for the sale of Madison Square Garden to a syndicate headed by a prominent real estate operator.

Inquiry at the office of George R. Head & Co., who have had the selling of the property in charge, elicited the reply that no sale of it had yet been effected, but from other sources it was learned that the deal is well advanced, if indeed it has not already been closed.

The property has been on the market for some time at \$3,000,000. It carries a first mortgage of \$1,500,000 and a second mortgage of \$700,000.

It is understood that the purchasing syndicate is planning to tear down the garden and erect modern store, loft and office buildings on the site.

Madison Square Garden, designed by the late Stanford White, was built in 1890. The structure contains, besides the large arena, the Garden Theater and a concert hall.

January 1st "Linens."

Classified advertisements for insertion in the regular issue of the Times will be accepted, as usual, up to midnight Friday, December 31. There will be a large extra number of papers printed on Saturday, and the Times will be published on Sunday, January 1st.

In fact, every copy of the Times sold on January 1st will contain the full extra edition. Hence, classified advertisements on that day will enjoy the benefit of the large extra circulation at the usual price of 1 cent per word.

In order to make your New Year's dinner complete you must have a bottle of our dry or sweet wine of which we have the oldest and very best in the State. We carry a full line of imported French and German wines. All beers at 10c per dozen. We carry the grade of imported Pilsener and German wines. All beers at 10c per dozen. We carry the grade of imported Pilsener and German wines. All beers at 10c per dozen.

TWO HOLD-UPS CATCH TARTAR.

Victim Runs Down Brace of Robber Trio.

Perseverance and Patrolmen Prove Nemesis.

Police Think They Have Broken Up Gang.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
PORTLAND (Or.) Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Two highwaymen were caught red-handed by George Estes, president of the Western Lumber and Fuel Company, half an hour after a trio of footpads held him up and robbed him of his watch and other valuables appraised at \$200. They are Earl McCroskey, 20 years old, and Fred Mattson, aged 24. The third highwayman effected his escape a few blocks from the scene of the robbery.

The police believe the trio of footpads are responsible for the numerous hold-ups reported during the past month.

The apprehension of the pair was brought about by the sheer perseverance of Estes and the timely appearance of two patrolmen in a North End resort, where both of the highwaymen had themselves after rifling their victim's pockets.

Estes, after the robbery, shadowed the hold-ups. The trio separated and the victim followed McCroskey and Mattson to the saloon, where they were taken into custody.

THIEF MURDERS WOMAN.
POLICE ARE HUNTING NEGRO. ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
DENVER (Colo.) Dec. 28.—The body of Mrs. Belle Rup, wife of a railroad employe, was found this morning in the Platte River. Her head had been crushed in by blows from a heavy piece of slag, wielded, it is believed, by a negro who last night attempted to force his way into her house. The entire police force of the city is looking for the negro and threats of lynching have been made.

Last night while her husband was absent, a negro tried to force his way into the house. She fired through the door twice and he ran away. Telling her children she was going to summon the police, Mrs. Rup left the house and was not seen again until her mutilated body was found in the river.

According to the children, the negro returned some time after Mrs. Rup left and took \$12 and everything else he could find in the house. It is believed this was done after he had slain the mother.

MURDERED AND ROBBED.
MAN AND WOMAN ARRESTED. ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
AINSWORTH (Neb.) Dec. 28.—Jacob Davis was murdered today when on his way home and robbed of \$400. George Davis, who has claimed to be a detective from New York, was arrested charged with the crime. As a result of the coroner's inquest, Helen Leads, a dining-room girl, was ordered held pending further investigation. Her home is in New Castle, Wyo.

NEW TONG WAR IN NEW YORK.
Police Say "Gun Men" Are Sent from Boston and All Chinamen Are Being Searched.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Scores of detectives and patrolmen were sent into Chinatown today to check, if possible, the outbreak of the tong war, in which one Chinaman had been killed and another mortally wounded.

Police Captain Galvin states that the new assassins, known to the tongs as "gun men," were sent here from Boston following the recent legal execution there of five hip Sing tong members, who were convicted of killing several on Long tong men, and that their mission was revenge.

Low Jung, the 75-year-old man, whose body was riddled with bullets late last night, was the treasurer of the Four Brothers Society, a western tong which has taken a part in the war, making it three-sided. The Four Brothers are supposed to have brought a large sum of money to the city for the purpose of employing "gun men" to kill enemies.

Lu Yo Fong, the younger Chinese, who was shot three times, was Jung's assistant, and a companion. He said that four men suddenly broke in to the room and commenced firing. The police found Low Jung's iron safe and removed it to the Police Station. Fearing the latest assassination will lead to open hostilities, all Chinamen are being searched for weapons.

TO CURE DEFECTS.
NEW BLACKMAIL INDICTMENT. ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.—In an effort to cure defects in the indictment on which Mrs. Jeannette Stewart-Ford is now under bond for trial January 19, County Prosecutor Hunt today presented a new form to the grand jury for consideration. This true bill will be returned by the grand jury in the final report of that body, to be made today. The defects to be cured in the present indictment, which charges attempted blackmail by Mrs. Ford on Charles L. Wavner, developed during the argument on a demurrer yesterday.

CRIME BRIEFS.
Boy Hangs Himself.
TOLEDO (O.) Dec. 28.—Sent to the cellar because he refused to get his mother a pail of water, Herman Miller, aged 14, hanged himself today.

Kills Self in Jail.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—James Rogers, serving a sentence for vagrancy, committed suicide today in the branch County Jail by hanging himself.

Held for Murder.
ABERDEEN (S. D.) Dec. 28.—B. P. Stevens today was held for trial for the murder of David G. MacKenzie, at Lebanon, S. D., two weeks ago. Stevens claims self-defense, but introduced no testimony at the preliminary trial. MacKenzie was the son of Murdo MacKenzie, a wealthy cattleman of Colorado.

To Extradite Women.
TRENTON (N. J.) Dec. 28.—Gov. Fort this afternoon signed papers for the extradition from New York of Mrs. Sheard and Mrs. Martin, wanted in Newark to answer the charge of having murdered Mrs. Okey Sheard in East Orange. The papers will be presented to Gov. Hughes of New York.

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CLIQUE ARE DISSOLVED.
Local Cat Club Proposes to Run Show
in Interest of All Exhibitors.

The fifth annual show of the Southern California Cat Club is to be held at Chateau Park for three days beginning tomorrow. The exhibit will be benched today, but the formal opening is to be held tomorrow afternoon, when Mayor Alexander will give an address. More than 200 entries have been received.

The exhibit will be the first that has been held under the rules of the American Cat Association. The local club recently has been admitted to membership in the national association. The management asserts that the control of the show will not be in the hands of certain cliques that are alleged to have had a monopoly of former exhibits and that in the awarding of prizes independent exhibitors will have an equal chance with kennel owners.

The feature of the show is to be an exhibit of Siamese cats, which were brought from Siam by Mrs. McLean, a few weeks ago. The cat is worshipped as a deity in Siam. When born, the color of the cats is white, and it changes to fawn and then to dark brown, as the animals grow older. The color of their eyes changes from an almost colorless blue to dark blue.

A pair of chinchilla cats from the kennels of Lady Deries is to be shown. She is one of the most noted breeders of silvers in England. Several other high-class silvers of the Tintogel stock and some fine reds are to be exhibited by Mrs. Halston.

Mrs. E. A. Stearns of Pasadena is to show number of silvers and reds, and also the champion black male, "Strongheart," which has won more ribbons than any other black animal from eastern kennels. Champion Navajo also will be exhibited by Mrs. Stearns.

Marcus and The Duchess, orange-eyed cats that won first prize in the show of the Los Angeles National Cat Club, are to be exhibited.

A tortoiseshell female is to be shown by Mrs. Avery of Oxnard. Mrs. Murry has entered several blue and white females. One of the largest entries has been made by Miss Henderson, who will show blue-eyed and orange-eyed cats and kittens.

Mrs. Weaver, president of the San Francisco Cat Club, is to exhibit several of her imported cats, which include silvers, blues and blacks. Other entries are expected from the North.

AT JACKSONVILLE.

JOCKEY MORGAN BADLY INJURED.

THROWN BY MOUNT AND BARELY ESCAPES DEATH.

Feature Event, Mile Race for Gentlemen Riders, Is Easily Won by Font, Ridden by Donald Pona, a Nephew of the Owner—Three Favorites Win in Close Finish.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

JACKSONVILLE (Fla.) Dec. 28.—Another large crowd was at Memorial Park this afternoon, the feature being the mile race for gentlemen riders. This race was won by Font, ridden by Donald Pona, a nephew of the owner, and the boy put up a splendid race, winning easily.

Crepps Beckham, ridden by Mr. Pearson, who came from Louisville for the event, finished second. Three favorites won. Jockey Morgan was thrown in the fourth race and his mount, Hazel, barely missed crushing the boy to death. He was seriously injured. Summary:

Five and one-half furlongs: Cross Over won, Clem Beachy second, Gypay third; time, 1:12 3-5.

Mile: Font won, Crepps Beckham second, Billy Pullman third; time, 1:51.

Six furlongs: Pocumoke won, Lord second, Many Colors third; time, 1:14 2-5.

Five and one-half furlongs (substituted): May Amelia won, Austin Sturtevant second, Polar Star third; time, 1:11 2-5.

Mile: Green Bridge won, Endymion second, Hawkaway third; time, 1:48 1-5.

One and one-sixteenth miles: Heart of Hyacinth won, Castlewood second, Irrigator third; time, 1:55 4-5.

JUAREZ RESULTS.

SIX FAVORITES DEFEATED.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

JUAREZ, Dec. 28.—This was ladies' day at Terras Park. A large crowd turned out. Six favorites were defeated. The management denied emphatically a report that the meeting would close on January 1. The meeting will be extended ten or fifteen days after March 1. Summary:

Five and one-half furlongs: Tommy McGee, 106 (Warren) won, Reland, 102 (Benneccoten), second; Maltime, 102 (McCahey) third; time, 1:08 3-5.

Mile: Hughes, 109 (Warren) won; B. Q. Smith, 104 (Benneccoten) second; C. L. (Small) third; time, 1:42.

Six furlongs: Alra, 112 (Mondan) won; Minnalette, 105 (McCahey) second; Ann McCee, 104 (J. Wilson) third; time, 1:15.

Seven furlongs: Right Easy, 113 (Shilling) won; La Dextra, 90 (Benneccoten) second; Topland, 97 (McCahey) third; time, 1:17 1-5.

Six furlongs: Kiddy Lee, 109 (Molesworth) won; Rustem, 106 (Benneccoten) second; Aunt Nancy, 106 (Pickens) third; time, 1:14 4-5.

Mile and a sixteenth: Wander, 102 (Pickens) won; Servile, 107 (Molesworth) second; Pedro, 106 (Benneccoten) third; time, 1:47 2-5.

JUAREZ ENTRIES.

Five and one-half furlongs: Kiddy Lee, 109; Nancy Brown, 110; Banaday, Dixie Gem, Pick Point, Sleefoot, 107; Lady Panchita, 102.

Six furlongs: George Young, 107; Sunline, 106; Nancy Brown, 110; Banaday, Dixie Gem, Pick Point, Sleefoot, 107; Lady Panchita, 102.

Mile and a sixteenth: Wander, 102 (Pickens) won; Servile, 107 (Molesworth) second; Pedro, 106 (Benneccoten) third; time, 1:47 2-5.

Five and one-half furlongs: Muxley, 110; Mithne, Tag Boat, James Blackstock, Old Rose, Kienner Yord, Mayday, 107; Wolloby, 105; Illusive, 102.

Mile: Fred Mulholland, 112; Barney Oldfield, 110; Kopek, Lady Esther, 102; Best Man, 104; Miss Lida, 105; Tremargo, 103; Patriot, 104; Howard Pearson, 99; Apologize, 95.

TAMPA RACING.

GOOD CARD RUN OFF.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

TAMPA (Fla.) Dec. 28.—Summer-like weather, a good card and close finishes contributed to the enjoyment of today's racing. Summary:

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shed won, Paul second, My Love third; time, 1:14 4-5.

Five and one-half furlongs: Eutcheon won, Serenade second, Claborn third; time, 1:12 3-5.

Six furlongs: Edwin L. won, Cloister second, Stoneland third; time, 1:20.

Five furlongs: Autumn Girl won, St. Deloit second, Bonnie Bee third; time, 1:06.

Five and one-half furlongs: Punky won, Nantico second, Alaska and Faces third; time, 1:12.

Mile: Otego won, W. L. Hinch second, Bronlee third; time, 1:50.

ATHLETIC CLUB CARD.

Large Crowd of Members and Their Friends Enjoy Fine Programme at Monthly Smoker.

More than 500 members of the Los Angeles Athletic Club enjoyed a fine programme of varied events last night in the clubrooms in honor of the holiday. The programme was a very enjoyable one in every way. The card opened with a six-round moving picture film of a Gans-Nelson fight and the other numbers were Irving Wheeler, Swan Wood and Anna Robinson; a band by the Alvino; a snake dance by Serpente; a battle royal by five fighters and four rounds by Battling Chico and Frankie Matthews. The battle royal was an exciting affair from the start and finally narrowed down to Battling Robinson and Kid Reese and at end of four rounds Bubbles had earned the decision. The final was four rounds between two 100-pound boys, Chico and Matthews, and this was a very even thing all the way. Matthews had the better of the first and fourth rounds and Chico the advantage in the second and third, but as draw decisions cannot be given in amateur bouts, the judges decided in favor of Matthews, although a draw was the popular thing.

Following the programme in the gym upstairs, the members and their friends adjourned to the main lounge room where an hour was spent in smoking and peddling stories.

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The Limited is delivering about 10,000 barrels daily and will complete the contract within eighteen months. The Standard's supply from its own wells will not run its refineries and, aside from the Limited, it has no place from which to draw its supply, except in a few scattering instances.

The Union has a contract that expires at no distant date to supply the Standard with 4000 barrels a day. This contract will not be renewed, according to the general understanding. If it loses the Limited's 10,000-barrel contract at the expiration of that time, it will be drawing not more than 8000 barrels a day, unless it finds other sources of supply.

There are few fields that the Standard can become a factor in at this late day, except perhaps the old one in Ventura county between Piru and Ojai on the Santa Clara River. This, while an old field, has been neglected for years, little development being undertaken until the last few months. Here the Union is strongly entrenched, and here too, the Standard would encounter difficulties.

In the North Midway field, where the big Santa Fe gusher was brought in, the oil is suitable for refining, but the extent of the field is as yet unproven. If, as reported, the Limited is to enter the refining business, it will prove a close competitor, for it is a quiet British corporation that has but little to say, but a reputation for accomplishing things. Its camp in the Coalinga field is undoubtedly one of the best equipped and finest in the State.

Bankers' Company to Drill.
The Bankers' Oil Company, of which C. A. Canfield of this city is president, is to extensively develop the 100 acres it recently took over on 25-23-23 in the Kern River field.

One well is going down and the others are to be started at once. Two strings will be run at first, to be increased later. A well to every two acres is planned. This ground adjoins the property of the Reed Grange Oil Company lease of the same area.

J. and Ora Monette and G. G. Gillett of this city are among Mr. Canfield's associates in this venture.

The Ethel Dee's Sand Showing.
Oil men are interested in the top sand showing of the Ethel Dee well of Clarence J. Berry, brought in at Maracaibo, on Section 25-23-24, and as a result of this showing it has been decided to finish it in the top. This well has quite a strong production from the top sand and it will be drilled to the second or third which, in the Wellman and Monte Cristo holes, has proven so productive. No. 2 hole is close to 600 feet deep on the west line and No. 3 is to be drilled on the south at an early date. A 2000 storage tank has been built and with a 25,000 sump is expected to take care of the output of 1 and 2.

North Midway Active.
When the big Santa Fe gusher suddenly commenced to spout oil thirty days ago, a boom was inaugurated that is causing a town to spring up around the great well.

This big 2500-barrel producer, brought in at 1400 feet; the Crandall well, capped at shallow depth and producing something like 5000 barrels a day, with other heavy producers in the Midway, bring the output of the new oil center to about 50,000 barrels a day.

New buildings are going up rapidly at Taft, and business is expected to be heavy development that is expected. This development has already begun. Among others, old Associated directors are interested.

Max Scribner has just made a purchase from the National Oil and Gypsum Company, of the northeast quarter of 25-23-23 for \$25,000. This ground is to be actively developed at once.

The Santa Fe, Midway Six and United Oil companies are rushing development in the neighborhood of the big gusher, where the United Oil was ready to spud at the time the well was brought in. This company has ordered three additional rigs and is hastening work on the derrick. It will also build a 20,000 storage tank at once.

The United Oil is drilling in the north Midway field on 400 acres, and expects to bring in some wells about January 15. Land values have gone soaring and many deals are reported where the operators cleared fancy sums.

Palmer Gusher Still Flowing.
The Palmer gusher is still flowing approximately 1500 barrels a day, this being the steady production since the bottom of the four and a half-inch casing was shut off by the inner tubing at 275 feet.

There is yet an enormous gas pressure from the bottom of the hole, but this is hardly as strong as at the point where the tubing was shut off.

No. 2 is nearing the 2400-foot mark. This is some 600 feet from the gusher and the formation closely resembles that of No. 1. Another gusher is expected when this gets to the same depth as the first.

Valley Shuts Off Water.
Water has been successfully shut off from the Valley Company's well, and drilling has been resumed with good indications. The four and a half-inch casing is going down. The sand is from fifteen to twenty feet deep. Gas pressure is strong and the hole is kept full of water. Depth is around 2300 feet.

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MORE THAN HUNDRED EXTRA CHILDREN AT THIS PARTY.



Christmas Party for the Settlement Youngsters.

The upper picture shows them taking autos and cars to go to the Ebell Clubhouse yesterday, while below they are depicted carrying away their presents.

It's something of a problem to provide for 250 guests, when only 150 have been invited; but members of the Ebell Club rose to meet this emergency tactfully yesterday afternoon, when a stream of little strangers invaded the club auditorium, upon an invitation stipulating that 150 would be entertained with a Christmas party.

This party was especially arranged for the children of the settlement district. When names were counted and just an even extra 100 was on hand, Mrs. W. J. Hole, president of the club, and her assistants were puzzled for the moment. But they were only repulsed by this army of eager little children and dispatches sent for reinforcements in the nature of supplies of goodies and toys.

These soon arrived, and it turned out to be the very best party of its kind that the Ebell ever gave.

The little Maternity Cottage on Utah street was designated as the station where the automobiles would be found waiting to convey little guests to the clubhouse. The good matron of the cottage says that as early as 6 o'clock yesterday morning the children were gathered on the porch, anxiously but patiently waiting for the wonderful ride that was to terminate in a visit to Santa Claus.

When the first machine hove in sight there was a wild shout of joy from the multitude assembled, and a moment later there was a tongue of arms and legs in a tussle and scramble to get aboard first for this wonderful ride. Other machines soon followed, and when these were filled with the children, the street cars were resorted to.

Mrs. R. Baunoch made the last trip in her automobile for any of the stray mites that might have been left in the shuffle. This was the lucky trip for a little girl who could but slip her name of "Julie." She proved to be the best catch of the afternoon. Julie was fitted out with a set of fresh little clothes and given the prettiest doll of the vast collection, because she needed these more than any of the other little children of the party.

"The play, 'A Perjured Santa Claus,' which was dramatized by Mabel K. McClure from Myra Kelly's story, was repeated. It was given in splendid fashion and it pleased the children highly. They understood it and entered thoroughly into its spirit. Old Santa Claus, in the person of Miss Augusta Laird, seemed to be the favorite. Mrs. S. V. McClure, who represented the character of Michael Dwyer, the chimney sweep's assistant, in the play, was given a genuine compliment by the little boys. When she visited among them after the play they asked 'Is you a sure enough boy?' The children fell in love with Mrs. Fred H. Jones, who played the part of Michael's mother. The other characters were represented by Miss Donato, as Patrick Brennan; Mrs. Joseph E. Coleman as Mr. Dwyer; Miss Helen Louise Kimball as Judge of the Juvenile Court, and Mrs. Forest as the lady philanthropist.

After the play refreshments of ice cream and cake were served at prettily decorated tables by a committee of club women, and the toys left by the children the day before were distributed. The toys given were especially beautiful, besides these each of the children received a box of bonbons of the Christmas tree. After an afternoon of merriment the entire crowd were safely deposited again at the door of the Maternity Cottage, from which point each of the children scampered home.

BROTHER-IN-LAW BLUNDERS.
Identifies Body Found in Brush Pile as Relative; Latter Alive and Well at Home.

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KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—Although identified at different times as the body of John Whitehead of Carthage, Mo., and Harry McConnell of Grand Island, Neb., the remains of the slain man found in a brush pile near Kansas City, Kan., Sunday night, is unnamed tonight in a local morgue.

Whitehead's brother-in-law, Trellus Hendricks, who found the body, today identified it as that of his relative. Hendricks had never seen Whitehead, but he was convinced of the identity on account of the resemblance of the dead man to a photograph of Whitehead in his possession.

Immediately following the identification the police began a lengthy cross-questioning of Hendricks and his wife. While the interrogation was in progress it was learned that Whitehead was alive and well at his home.

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STEAL, WRECK, SHOOT, DRINK.

Wanton Destroyers Damage
Fine Beach Home.

Even Discard Old Clothes for
Owner's New.

Wyatt Finds a Note from the
Vicious Thieves.

Burglars wrecked the beach home of
H. C. Wyatt at Playa Del Rey, Christ-
mas, breaking up the furniture, firing
through the roof and ceilings, and
smashing windows and mirrors where-
ever they could find them.

Wyatt, who is lessee of the Mason
Opera-house, discovered the outrage
early yesterday morning when he went
to the beach to prepare his house for
a midwinter party.

The house cost \$40,000 and the dam-
age will amount to several hundred.
Aside from wrecking the place the in-
truders stole whatever of value they
could carry away, discarded their old
garments and put on stylish clothes
belonging to the owner. They either
drank or destroyed every drop of liquor
in the place, ate the canned stuffs, and
departed, leaving a note in which there
is nothing of remorse or sorrow.

Wyatt has a large house in the West-
lake district. He occupies the beach
property the greater part of the sum-
mer and generally goes there every
week or two in the winter. For this
reason he keeps the place well stocked
with food and always has a fine line
of liquors on tap. Many visiting stars
of the theatrical world have been en-
tertained there.

"JUST DROPPED IN."

The owner was preparing for a little
party during the coming week and
wanted to give some western Thespian
a chance at the California surf. When
Wyatt jumped out of his automobile
at the house on Modena avenue, yes-
terday morning, he had to look twice
to be sure that it was the right num-
ber. All the windows were broken out
and the front door plate smashed.

Even from the exterior the place
looked as though a cyclone had struck
it. The owner went up the steps on
the jump and opened the door. There,
on the wall, was a note. It read as
follows:

"We were lonesome and our Christ-
mas was a cheerless one, so we just
dropped in for a while." It was signed
with the initials "S. M."

The interior of the residence looked
as though a troop of elephants might
have been playing football there. Most
of the furniture was broken, gouged
or scratched. The windows were shat-
tered and the handsome French plate
mirrors broken in fragments.

The intruders had procured a box of
cartridges and the owner's revolver,
and in sheer wantonness had put bul-
lets in the ceiling and walls, and put
the pieces of bric-a-brac, and per-
peared the roof.

Nothing in the line of devilry had
been overlooked. The bathtub showed
that the visitors had carefully bathed.
Then they shaved with Wyatt's razor,
and when they had finished they put
the razor out of commission by nick-
ing it on the edge of the tub. They
went from room to room collecting
valuables. A handsome silver toilet
set was appropriated, along with the
revolver and other articles.

Their discarded clothes were found
in one of the rooms. A pair of over-
alls, a slouch hat and a bandana
handkerchief were among the plunder.
Then they donned Wyatt's good gar-
ments.

WASTING THE LIQUOR.

Following this they went to the but-
fet. They sampled all the liquor, drink-
ing impartially. When they came
across a brand they did not like they
poured it on the floor. Whisky, old
enough to vote, disappeared, and so
did many bottles of champagne. The
carpets were ruined by the wasted
liquor. The burglars then attacked
the canned foods, and had a banquet,
using the linen and silver service of
the house, and doing things up in
style. They stole the silver, after
having eaten from it.

From the extent of the damage, it
is judged the burglars spent most of
the day in the place. Before depart-
ing they left the note which Wyatt
found yesterday morning.

There is only one other home near
Playa Del Rey where a summer residen-
ce of wealthy Los Angeles people, and
is unoccupied during the winter. For
this reason the shots and the crash-
ing of glass and furniture were not
noticed.

Wyatt reported the case to the
sheriff's office, and Deputy Mahew-
son was put to work on it. He spent
the day following down several alleys.
The Pinkertons were called in, and
a report filed with the local police.
Officers from Venice have likewise
taken up the investigation. The owner
offers a reward for the conviction of
the vandals, and all suspicious char-
acters seen at Playa del Rey for the
past few days are being looked up.

LITTLE BOY ON LONG TRIP.

Though Only Five Years of Age, He's
Coming Alone from Scotland to
Los Angeles.

Clay Lawrence, 5 years old, left Chi-
cago last night on the Santa Fe on
the last stage of a 6000-mile trip alone
from Glasgow, Scotland, to Los An-
geles. The little fellow was met in Chi-
cago by his uncle, George T. Pierce,
of No. 123 East Chicago avenue, who
paid the expenses of the journey.

In this city the little traveler will
join his father, Gordon Lawrence, who
has not seen him for two years. The
boy's mother died in Scotland in 1907,
and the father, leaving the boy with
relatives in Glasgow, came to America
to make a new start in life.

"Some one has to help me dress in
the morning," said the little boy in
Chicago, according to a special dis-
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An old gentleman took care of me on
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MISS CATHERINE MORTON PALMER,

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MISS CATHERINE MORTON PALMER, the handsome office
attendant of Dr. Charles Car-
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a sensation in the Federal offices yes-
terday afternoon when she was sum-
moned before the grand jury.

She was gowned in a beautiful cre-
ation of pale green, and wore a big
hat, adorned with almost priceless
paradise aigrettes. Her fingers
sparkled with gems, and she bore lit-
tle resemblance to the customary type
of young women who answer tele-
phones in physicians' offices.

The secrets of the grand jury room
are, of course, inviolable, and no one
outside that room knows what was
her testimony; but she was exceeding-
ly nervous when she entered the jury
room, and she retired in tears.

The handsome blonde accompanied
Dr. Carlton when he left here on the
day an indictment was found against
him by the Federal grand jury. She
was a witness for the prosecution. It
is almost certain that her testimony
must be extorted from her, unless she
has turned from her employer and
friend.

While waiting her turn in the jury
room, the young woman paced back
and forth in the United States Mar-
shal's private office. She talked very
earnestly several times with one of
the inspectors, presumably about the
testimony she was about to offer.

If it should appear that the defense
is preparing a big coup, it is possible
that Miss Palmer will show her grati-
tude to the aged physician who has be-
come a witness for the prosecution, by
several letters which appear in evi-
dence against him.

At the trial of another doctor some
months ago, upon a similar charge,
the plea was made that the offending
letter had been laid upon a table, and
that a friend mailed it without the
knowledge of the physician.

It is believed that the defense
which play an important part in the
present case were written by Miss
Palmer. It is easy to see the defense
would allow her to bear the burden of
the transaction.

It is expected that the prosecution
will not rely upon her testimony alone,
but will bring up the alleged past re-
cord of the defendant, who seems to
have been in similar trouble in Ken-
tucky.

IMPORTANT CASE.

The case is regarded as one of un-
usual importance. If a conviction is
obtained the prosecutors say it will
tend to put a stop to the correspond-
ence method of treating patients who
request criminal operations. If the
doctor escapes punishment, the Fed-
eral officers say the doctors will be left

make most of their income from that
sort of practice.

Dr. Carlton denies he has been guilty
of any infraction of the government
statutes. He declares that any letters
which may have fallen into the pos-
session of the postal inspectors were
merely requests to out-of-town pa-
tients to come to his office for exami-
nation.

"I am old and feeble," said the doc-
tor, on the day he furnished bail. "I
pleaded guilty before to save my fam-
ily from possible stigma. I have never
violated the strictest professional
ethics."

To one of the officers, Miss Palmer
declared yesterday that Dr. Carlton
had abused her confidence. She said
she wished him no harm, but intimated
that she knew a lot of things that
would harm him if they were made
public.

Mrs. Carlton is understood to have
title to nearly a quarter of a million
dollars' worth of property that has
been earned by her husband in the
past ten years. The doctor declares he
has not a dollar in the world. Miss
Palmer seemed grateful for the warn-
ing which was handed her by
Chief Deputy Marshal Sittel at the
close of the afternoon session. She
left the building unaccompanied,
though one of the attorneys for the
defendant was in close converse with
her for some time.

PECULIAR.

ROBBER GOES THROUGH LOCK.

WOMAN STRUCK, INJURED, AND
VALUABLES TAKEN.

Strange Report Made to Police by
Mrs. Morgan, Who Is Taken to Hos-
pital Gashed and Bloody—Insists
She Has No Knowledge of Her
Assailant.

Assaulted and robbed while sitting
in her room with the door, as she
thought, secured with a Yale lock, was
the explanation given last night by
Mrs. Alice Morgan of the Hotel Ches-
ter, Fifth and Spring, when she was
taken to the Receiving Hospital in a
bloody condition.

Mrs. Morgan had sustained a one-
inch stab wound over the right eye,
as deep as the bone; a three-quarter-
inch laceration under the same eye, and
a bad contusion, all of which kept the
surgeons busy quite a while with nee-
dles and other instruments.

Absolutely no clue to the identity
of the assailant and robber was to be
obtained from the patient. She de-
clared, and stuck to it even when
closely examined by the detective,
that she had securely locked her room
and thought herself alone. She was
blown that knocked her unconscious
by the throat by a strong man, who
threw his arm around her neck from
behind, and struck her a staggering
blow that knocked her unconscious.

Mrs. Morgan declared that when she
awoke she found that she had been
robbed of her purse and it besides a
diamond ring from her hand. When
carried into the hospital, she still wore
a pair of valuable diamond ear-rings
and several diamond rings on her fin-
gers.

Police officers heard the story with
some skepticism, but were inclined to
the belief that the thief may have been
frightened away before he had time
to finish tearing the rings from the
fingers of the insensible woman.

The alarm was given by Mrs. Mor-
gan herself when she recovered con-
sciousness. The patient, who returned
home after her injuries had been
dressed, gave her occupation as house-

BETTER FOODS PUT UP HERE.

McCartney Law for Purity
Brings Results.

Its Author Enforcing Act and
Doing Good.

State Expert Discusses the
Local Situation.

Prof. M. E. Jaffa, director of the
State laboratory at Berkeley, and one
of the best-known pure food experts on
the Pacific Coast, is in the city to in-
spect some of the local factories where
foodstuffs are turned out in large
quantities. He says he finds Los An-
geles dealers are trying to obey the
law for the most part, and praises
the work of Deputy District Attorney
McCartney, who has charge of prosecu-
tions for violation of the pure food
law in this county.

"Mr. McCartney has been more ener-
getic in enforcing the law than any
prosecutor in the State," said Prof.
Jaffa yesterday. "If the act were not
already named after him as the origi-
nator of the bill, it would deserve to be
because of his activity in carrying
out its provisions."

Prof. Jaffa said he hopes a larger
appropriation for laboratory work will
be granted by the next Legislature, be-
cause of the increasing importance of
the work. He said the laboratory on the
nutritive value of California fruits and
nuts alone would be of vast importance
to the producers of the State. It is
his desire to have the workers at the
University of California laboratory
pursue lines of original research.

"At the present time we have a
little corner in the agricultural build-
ing," said he. "The university authori-
ties are having a new laboratory con-
structed; it will not be ready for occu-
pancy for about three months. It will
give us better facilities for work."

PUBLIC WAKING UP.

"I think the people are waking up
to the importance of the pure food
law throughout the State. The papers
are printing more articles on the sub-
ject, and we find the manufacturers
and dealers are taking more interest."

"I call our examination and report
on samples submitted 'police' work.
The great feature to be expanded is
the educational work. Laboratory sam-
ples several young men connected with
the university went through a section of
the State, instructing the dealers as to
the salient features of the McCartney
act. In all, 1000 dealers were seen, and
out of that number only six refused
the acting inspectors. In those six
cases I developed the dealers were vi-
olating the law, perhaps unconsciously."

"It is realized by the State Board
of Health that the work is carried
out among a high class of manufac-
turers and merchants. There is no dis-
position to ride rough-shod over such
men. We have found the best mer-
chants are the ones to cooperate most
heartily in the work. They know the
purest foodstuffs must retail at a high

price than inferior goods, and it is
to their advantage to have the stand-
ard maintained."

Prof. Jaffa stated it is a good thing
that the work has been kept from
undue political influence, and he
pointed to the fact that Gov. Gillett
retained on the State board men who
had been appointed by his predecessor,
because he felt they were compe-
tent for the position. Of the seven
men constituting the board, only one,
the secretary, receives compensation.
The rest work without pay, but their
actual traveling expenses are al-
lowed.

DOING GOOD WORK.

The inspectors, though few in num-
ber because of the small legislative
appropriation, are doing good work,
says Prof. Jaffa. They visit the stores
collecting samples of foods, liquors and
drugs, which are considered possible
violations of the law. The sample is
divided into three parts; one is left
with the person who sold the product,
one is sent to Prof. Jaffa for analysis
and the third is sent to the State
Board of Health.

When the board is satisfied that
there has been a violation of the law,
a report is made to the District At-
torney of the county in which the sale
occurred. Prosecutions are begun in
cases where dealers are believed to
have intentionally violated the law.

As the campaign of education
progresses, it is considered certain that
there will be fewer prosecutions for
violation of the law. In this county,
Deputy District Attorney McCartney

CITY WORK BY THE DAY.

Supreme Court Holds That Los An-
geles Can Order Public Projects
Done in That Way.

In an opinion received here yester-
day the Supreme Court takes the po-
sition that the city of Los Angeles can
order public work done by the day
instead of resorting to advertised bids
and letting contracts.

The case decided is that of A. St. C.
Perry against the city. In the lower
court, the city's demurrer "was sus-
tained." The appeal taken is decided
long after the point at issue—the build-
ing of the outfall sewer—has been dis-
posed of.

Perry sought an injunction to pre-
vent the city from proceeding with the
construction of the outfall sewer, after
the original contractors had thrown up
the job.

While the Supreme Court is inclined
to consider the case a moot one inas-
much as the work has been completed,
still it says that there are allegations
that the city may proceed in a similar
manner in other construction work.
Therefore, the justices consider the
points at issue.

"The Los Angeles charter nowhere
prescribes that a contract must be let
for doing any of this work," states
Justice Angell, who wrote the opin-
ion. "Express provisions of this effect
are to be found in the organic acts of
other municipalities. These provisions
expressly require that certain kinds of
public work are to be done under con-
tract, awarded to the lowest respon-
sible bidder. Such provisions are to be
found in the charter of San Francisco.

PUBLIC SERVICE--In Courts and Offices.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY.
The Council amended the industrial district ordinance and passed it again, but the Mayor may veto it.
The Deputy District Attorney decided yesterday to put Capt. C. E. Dixon on the stand in the Leslie Harris safe robbery case and make him explain why he received a confession in confidence from a prisoner he had in charge and was prosecuting.
Judge Rives said yesterday that he will not confirm the order of the Keating lands to the Hamaker syndicate for \$600,000; that on Monday, next, he will either refuse to confirm or order new bids.

In the Chapman divorce suit yesterday, Harry C. Chapman testified that he had condoned the alleged infidelity of his wife, whom he charged with adultery, but said the act was "involuntary" on his part. Today Mrs. Chapman will give her side of the story.

AT THE CITY HALL.
INDUSTRIAL CAT
BACK AGAIN.MAYOR'S VETO ACTED ON
QUICKLY BY THE COUNCIL.

Amended District Ordinance Passed by the Legislature Without Hearing the Mayor's Hint That Action Should Be Postponed for New Municipal Lawmakers.

The Council has solved the industrial district riddle for the third time, and as solved, it is likely to meet the approval of the Mayor again. In a veto message yesterday, the Mayor called attention to the suit of the people against A. H. Hess, in which the constitutionality of industrial, commercial and residence restrictions in districts is being tested, and urged that action be delayed until this suit is determined by the Superior Court.

But the Council felt a duty to decide on some things and it did not heed the recommendation. The ordinance was amended so as to eliminate districts Nos. 1 and 2, and divide district No. 3 and then passed as originally constructed.

District No. 5 was divided so that all that portion along the Southern Pacific and Redondo tracks west of Main street is eliminated, but with the understanding that the new Council will take up the eliminated portion January 11.

In the meantime the ordinance will go back to the Mayor and if he follows his own suggestion, that of delay, he will veto it and throw the whole question into the hands of the new Council for revision.

Should the court deny the ability, under the constitution, to limit the use of particular districts for industrial purposes, such an ordinance would be invalid and a mere encumbrance on the records of the Council. If the court sustains the right to restrict, then it is the belief that, taking the present ordinance as a basis, a better and more comprehensive treatment of the questions may be found. But this will not mean that districts Nos. 7 and 8 will be retained.

The two districts eliminated are on the west side on either side of Second street, west of Figueroa street, and a small district filled with all wells farther west.

The principal objection to eliminating that portion of the district known as No. 5 from Main to Figueroa streets was from Leon Labonde, a manufacturing chemist, who has a large industrial plant near the Redondo tracks. He asked that his region be retained as an industrial district, but a large portion of residents of the district interposed objection and the Council decided that it could not act rationally in the limited time that remains.

Attorneys representing the petitioners for the elimination of this portion of district No. 5, distinguished suit if it was included, and Labonde threatened suit if there was any attempt to annihilate his industrial business.

In any event the old Council has transferred the industrial district question in its crucial form to the new Council.

BIG SUM TRANSFERRED.
RESERVE FUND IN EVIDENCE.

In order that the new administration may not be hampered by a depleted emergency fund, the Council yesterday, on motion of Dr. Dromgold, transferred \$100,000 from the reserve fund, the Council's greatest achievement in its three-year administration, to the general expense fund.

The new administration is still hoping that the existence of this reserve fund with its half million of savings, in more or less liquidation, but the stubborn fact remains that the money is there, and that it may be used as intended.

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GRILL FOR PLAINTIFF.
CHAPMAN DIVORCE CASE.

Laura Frances Chapman, defendant in the divorce action brought by Harry C. Chapman, the Winnipeg ex-dealer in shoes, now on trial in Judge Housh's court, will go on the stand today. Yesterday was taken up by the cross-examination of the plaintiff, and the reading of a deposition by Mary A. Stannard, formerly maid in the Chapman household.

The cross-examination of Chapman was severe. The admission was wrung from him that when he left his wife he did not give her or their baby child a cent with which to maintain themselves. Chapman testified that he owned about \$1000 worth of property at Pioneer, Nev.; that the balance of his holdings were \$750, of which \$500 was in the shape of a draft on a Western bank. He declared that he had come to Los Angeles for the purpose of making this his permanent home, and that he expected to continue in the shoe business in either this city or Pasadena.

At the close of testimony in behalf of the husband, a motion was made for a non-suit on the ground that the crime charged against the defendant, if committed at all, had been condoned by the husband, but this was overruled by the court, with the understanding that this was not his final ruling on the question of condonation.

DENIALS BY M'WULLEN.
SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST HIM.

The trial of D. H. McMullen, charged with the seduction of Hazel George, under promise of marriage, will probably be concluded in Judge Davis's court today.

The accused was on the stand yesterday to give his version of the trouble. He said that he met the girl in May, last, and went home with her. She may be received a love letter from her, asking him to call and see her. He did so, and on that occasion he said he told her that he was a married man, and that he was the father of three children.

She told him, he testified, that she had been guilty of misconduct with Tracey Bird of Nogales, Ariz., and on account of this statement, he admitted that he had been guilty of wrongdoing with her.

On August 28, he said, the girl told her mother in his presence that they had been married the day before at Long Beach; the mother then told her that she must leave home. She did so, and went with McMullen to the Waterville Hotel in this city. Afterward they went to San Francisco.

McMullen said he had never promised to marry her, and that he was a married man, and that Miss George knew it.

COURTHOUSE NOTES.
BREVITIES MISCELLANEOUS.

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Committee Meets.
The Nominating Committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Mines will meet today in the Germain building for the purpose of preparing a slate for the annual election of officers for the ensuing year.

This committee is composed of Gen. John R. Mathews, chairman; J. V. Vickers, Mark G. Jones, Bryant Mathews and Frank King.

There will probably be no contest of the slate issued by this committee.

Metallic Accident Bonded.
The Metallic Accident, near Kingman, Ariz., has been bonded by Carl Hand, in the interests of the owners, Tom McNeely and Henry Lovin.

Work will begin at the end of January, while in the neighboring Mexican mine three shifts have been put to work by W. H. Peck. Peck has been operating one of the turquoise mines near Mineral Park for years, and is thoroughly familiar with the district.

Club Gives Dinner.
The Sierra Madre Club will give a house-warming in the new quarters in the Columbia Trust building, Saturday. All mining men of the city will be welcome at the club during the day.

In the evening a dinner will be given to members and their friends. It is desired to have as many women as possible present at private dinners, and members desiring to entertain will do well to engage their tables before Friday noon.

Parker Is Here.
John I. Parker of Goldfield now is in Los Angeles, after having inspected the Kincaid and Empire properties near Acme tanks, on the Goldfield and Tonopah Railroad.

This property will be put on a producing basis at once if the plans of the owners are successful. Samples from the mine are on exhibition at the Los Angeles Chamber of Mines, which now has in its possession representative specimens from every camp in Nevada.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY.
MINER ROBBED
OF LARGE SUM.
THREE THUGS HOLD HIM UP AT SAN FRANCISCO.

They Got on the Train With Him at Bakersfield, Follow Him at the Golden Gate and Take Two Thousand Dollars and Rap Him Over the Head With Revolver.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]
BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 28.—A special from San Francisco says: Followed by three thugs all the way from Bakersfield to this city, William C. Eich, a miner from Randburg, on the Mojave Desert, was robbed of \$2300 in cash and knocked on the head.

When Eich left Randburg it was generally known that he carried much money. At Bakersfield three men boarded the train, and he thinks "spotted" him. They continued on to San Francisco.

When Eich was crossing through Jefferson Square last night, three men put a revolver under his nose, demanded his money. The men took it all, and then one rapped him over the head.

This morning Eich reported the hold-up to the police.

Free Lectures—All about the great San Joaquin Valley at the Times Branch Office, 531-533 S. Spring st. Information any time through the day. Lecture at 8 o'clock every evening (except Sunday.) Come and bring your friends.

"THANK YOU, JUDGE"
Fresno Man Who Expected "the Limit" Rejoices When Court Says "Ten Years in San Quentin."

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
FRESNO, Dec. 28.—Miller E. Burlew was sentenced by Judge Church today to ten years in San Quentin for forgery. He negotiated ten checks, but the District Attorney consented to drop the other nine charges. Burlew thanked the judge for his sentence, saying it was an agreeable surprise, as he expected "the limit."

Ethel M. Balch, daughter of A. C. Balch, living near Reedley, died last night from the effects of a dose of carbolic acid, given her by mistake for medicine.

FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED.
West-bound Southern Pacific extra freight was derailed this morning near Calaveras winery, when the engine and fifteen cars were damaged. The accident occurred at the junction of the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific tracks. Santa Fe officials say it was the fault of the Southern Pacific engineer.

George Klumpp, sent to jail for wife beating, was put to work this morning cleaning Courthouse Park. He had a ball and chain attached to his ankle. The ball weighs twelve pounds.

MAINE MAN DIES.
BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 28.—Ira Haskell, a stranger, who was taken ill as he was passing through the city some time ago, died at the County Hospital this morning. His mother and sister reside in Thordyke, Me.

VISALIA.
VISALIA, Dec. 28.—According to a dispatch from Washington, Senators Perkins and Flint have joined in recommending for reappointment George M. Stewart, register, and A. H. Swain, receiver of the Land Office here.

NEW YORK'S INDEBTEDNESS.
Metropolis Owes More Than Seven Times That of Any Other City of United States.

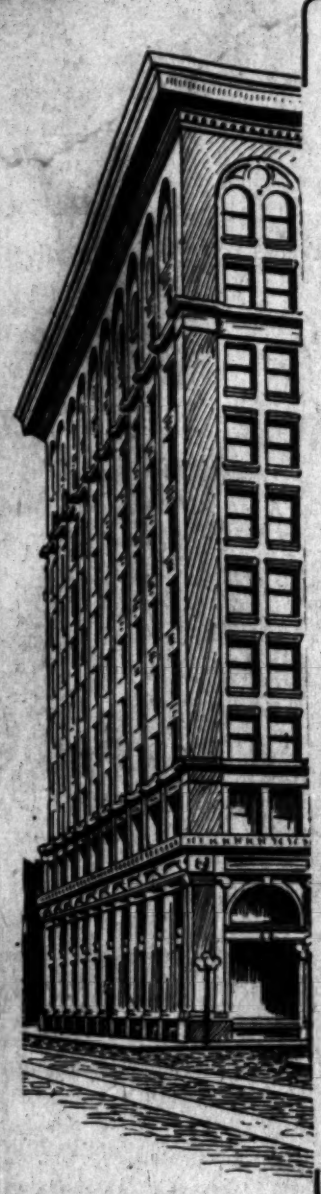
[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—New York City's total indebtedness for the fiscal year, 1907, was more than seven times that of any other city in the United States, and more than one-half of the total of the twenty-seven largest cities in the country, as figured out by the Census Bureau.

Of the total indebtedness of the 153 cities of more than 20,000 population, New York City is credited with 25.2 per cent, the per capita being \$142.52. The other cities over \$100 were: Cincinnati, \$122.55; Boston, \$120.31; Galveston, \$115.75; Pueblo, \$106.23, and Newton, Mass., \$106.82.

Of the cities over \$50,000, San Francisco had by far the smallest net debt, and Detroit with \$25.75 per capita, next to the smallest.

The increase in the net debt for the fiscal year 1907, was \$120,830,631, more than three-fourths of which was credited to the fifteen largest cities. The only city of less than 500,000 inhabitants having an increase of more than \$1,000,000 was Seattle, whose net debt increased by \$5,331,674.

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HORROR DRIVES HER INSANE.
Girl Who Lost Two Brothers in Cherry Mine Disaster Located in Hospital, Crazy.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) Mamie Butts of Kewanee, Ill., who disappeared at the time of the Cherry mine disaster, which cost the lives of two of her brothers, has just been located in a La Salle, Ill., hospital. She had gone to Cherry in the hope that she could find her brothers living, and the shock when she learned that they had been killed took her reason.

Although relatives have waited and watched for her return, she had not sent word or written. She was found several weeks ago wandering in the vicinity of La Salle, and was taken to the hospital and cared for. Until Christmas Day no one knew who she was or where she had come from. It was supposed that she was an insane wanderer.

She lost another brother in a mine accident a short time before the Cherry horror. Another brother resides at Cedar Point, Ill., but he had heard nothing of his sister.

FIRE IN HOLD OF BIG LINER.
Blaze Is Discovered Among Bales of Cotton and Captain Orders the Hatchets Sealed.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
LIVERPOOL, Dec. 28.—Fire was discovered in the hold of the White Star liner Celtic last Wednesday, when the vessel was four days out from New York. The liner arrived here safely yesterday. The fire was still burning, but its presence was known to none of the 400 passengers.

Immediately upon the arrival the work of discharging the cargo in an effort to reach the origin of the blaze was begun. The work was continued today. The fire started amid bales of cotton.

The Celtic sailed from New York for Queenstown and Liverpool on December 13. The following Wednesday smoke was seen creeping up from among the cotton bales that filled No. 6 hold. Capt. Hamilton at once ordered that the hatches be sealed.

DIES OF STARVATION IN CAFE.
Aged Man Is Given Food, But Before He Can Eat Death Over-takes Him.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DAY REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—As Samuel Leiberman was going over his accounts at the desk in his lunchroom yesterday he glanced up to see a forlorn and tattered old man with white beard and hair looking at him appealingly. He asked what was wanted. The visitor, who looked as if he might be 80, asked if he could have some coffee and bread, as he had not eaten in several days and felt he could not hold out much longer.

Leiberman motioned him to a chair at the first table and told a waiter to bring some hot chicken soup and coffee. The old man muttered his thanks and as the waiter put the soup before him, uttered a cry, threw up his arms and fell backward on the floor. A physician was summoned and said the man died of starvation.

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THE GAY LIFE OF THE CITY.

BY A CLUBMAN.

When, in the course of human events it becomes necessary for the welfare of a Jonathan Club to choose its Apollo Belvedere there arises a situation in which every loyal citizen is expected to do his duty. We were all patriots yesterday—and some of us may be enrolled among the martyrs. We had cocktails with Bernard Potter and George Kuhrt, who held the stage with a noon rally; we took air-cooled drinks on Ralph Hamlin, who is trying to give away an automobile and a grand piano; we had cigars and shingles on W. T. Wheatley, who moved up to the head of the list, and we ate roast pig and drank champagne with Herman Hauser.

It was a hilarious day at the club. Virgin Valley was wide open, and if you stepped into the buffet you found a dozen campaign managers waiting to sign your checks in order to collect the votes. Herman Hauser, Ralph Hamlin and Charlie Lehman started a contest to see how many votes they could cash for each other, which indicates the good spirit that prevails in spite of the bitterness of the contest.

Every member of the club who could get away for an hour came up to lunch yesterday. When they were all seated a brass band came marching down the corridor with Ed Wheatley, who was leading the band, and a dozen campaign managers waiting to sign your checks in order to collect the votes.

The platform in the middle of the dining-room was occupied by the candidates and their friends. A volunteer speaker for Potter, and as there was no one among his friends who would consent to make a speech, he gave the floor to the "Dis-honorable Bill Anderson." Anderson coasted Potter for trying to run in a beauty contest, and explained his standing by the fact that he never bought anything but Virgin Valley Spring water.

"I turn him over to your tender mercies," he concluded. "Do not spoil the landscape by tearing him limb from limb, and scattering him over the soil of our beautiful valley." Judge Gibson took the stump for Kuhrt. "I came here expecting to dwell upon some of the real beauties of the club, and I find this soldier of fortune thrust upon me," he said. "I believe I am the only hired speaker who has appeared before you. You notice in what a hurry this Anderson, editor of one of the most scurrilous sheets ever published, left the platform. He doesn't like to be found in decent company for even a few minutes. I see Herman Hauser looking on in the hopes of some honorable mention. He is no better, gentlemen, than the butcher who, when a little boy, was sent by his mother to get a yard of pork, cut off three feet, and handed them to him. And there's Ralph Hamlin—this automobile he is offering to get votes not for the wheels are always tired. At least that is what the wheels said when they spoke."

"When the votes are counted, my fellow-citizens of Virgin Valley, I want to tell you that George Kuhrt will be found at the top of the list, and now I want to thank you for this opportunity of showing how big an ass a man can make of himself in a few minutes." After the excitement, the smoke of the fireworks and most of the members had cleared away Herman Hauser and his friends sat down at a large table, graced by a roast pig. Hauser did the carving and several of his rival candidates assisted his friends in doing the rest. Leo Youngworth came in late.

"We're on the hog," shouted Hauser hospitably. "What will you have?" "Give me a wing," said Youngworth as he shook out his napkin. The dinner party resolved there into a good government club. The sentiment was expressed that there had been too much graft in the election, and Herbert Cornish proposed to close the electioneering for votes, and start a Paris Mutual system of finishing the election. This seemed to meet with general approval, and the members undoubtedly be gambling in Virgin Valley.

It was somewhat of a surprise to find Wheatley at the head of the list yesterday. How he managed to collect votes where pigs and automobiles were being distributed was a mystery. "It goes to show," explained Wheatley with his customary modesty, "that there is such a thing as winning on merit. I have been proposed to close absolutely clean platform. There are plenty of members in the Jonathan Club who don't like to sell votes to get an automobile, and there are others who don't eat pig."

Hauser and Hamlin, however, promise that they will make Wheatley hustler at the finish, and Charlie Lehman hasn't lost one whit of confidence. He is going to give a good dinner today in the hope of hogging some of the Hauser votes.

Lehman, by the way, has just recovered his good shape since the jinks of two years ago. At that time he was one of the Virgin Valley beauties, wearing a low-necked evening dress, a high-backed collar, and all of his wife's jewels. The girls are always in great favor at the jinks, and the rivalry to bestow attentions upon them usually resolves itself into something like a riot. Lehman makes one of the courted darlings of the club when he wears the rags, and he was Mlle. Couperie as long as he could lift a finger. When he had unloosed his corset and taken off his pink stockings along toward morning, he observed that his wife's diamond brooch was missing. Every corner of the club was searched, but they even swept up the sawdust on the floor, and sifted it downstairs, but a diamond brooch was never found. "It has taken Lehman two years to save enough money to replace the brooch. Naturally, under the circumstances of its disappearance the substitute was expected to have a few more stones in it, and to weigh quite a few more carats. Making diamonds out of sea water is only a little better than the old alchemist's process of getting gold, but on Christmas Lehman presented his wife with some diamonds that squared him. If he could only take home the grand prize, he feels that his standing would be permanently established.

The annual newspaper of Virgin Valley made its appearance yesterday, with a seven-column headline on the front page—"Holy Smoke! Hot Stuff!" It is offered as a "Periodical of the Y.M.C.A. Entered Under the Pure Thought Act." Its policies are for sale, its morals lacking, its politics rotten, its terms "Telegraph Company," and its price "a yard of pork, cut off three feet, and handed them to him."

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BETTER FOOD.

(Continued From First Page.)

has gone after the violators vigorously and the township and police justices have supplemented his work by imposing fines commensurate with the offense. No dealer is liable to prosecution under the provisions of the act when he can show a guaranty signed by the wholesaler of the food, manufacturer, or other party residing in the United States from whom he purchased such article, to the effect that the same is not adulterated, mislabeled or misbranded within the meaning of the act.

The California pure food and drug act is patterned after the national law, which is enforced by the Department of Agriculture. All general guaranties must be filed with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., who will furnish a serial number. When this number is used on a label with the words "Guaranteed by" under the food and drug act, June 30, 1906, it will protect the dealer, if he purchased of the guarantor.

From time to time many questions arise to be settled by the State Board of Health. Mr. McCartney has given many hints to dealers and manufacturers, and has lectured before various bodies upon the meaning of the act. The great object to be attained is that the purchaser may know just what they are buying. As an instance, coffee grown outside a small district in Arabia, known as Yemen, cannot be properly labeled "Mocha." The coffee may taste good and be excellent in every way, but the law says the buyer is entitled to know what he is getting.

In the sale of mineral waters, no manufactured water is allowed to have a label or picture device that would lead the purchaser to think he was getting a natural mineral water. Manufactured water may be named after a natural water, provided the word "artificial" or "imitation" is used. Inasmuch as mineral waters are largely purchased because of their supposed freedom from contamination, any showing such will be considered as adulterated in violation of the food and drug act.

A number of questions are being thrashed out by the Department of Agriculture, and inasmuch as the California act is patterned closely after the Federal act, consumers and dealers are much interested in the outcome of many mooted questions at Washington. Here in Los Angeles, if a doubt arises, it will be always safe to call up Mr. McCartney and learn the law.

FIFTY RESCUERS AT WORK. MALESTER (Okla.), Dec. 23.—Fifty men are tunneling into the Bolan Dargul mine near here in an effort to rescue Angelo Ascinar, a shot frer, entombed by a premature explosion to-night. Whether Ascinar is alive the workers are unable to determine. He was alone in the mine at the time of the explosion.

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Los Angeles County Correspondence from Its Cities and Towns.

NEWS REPORTS FROM CORRESPONDENTS OF THE TIMES.

PASADENA.
GROOM GETS
WRONG PAPER.Uses Health Certificate as
Marriage License.Because of Error Marriage Is
Performed Twice.Directors Announce Route of
Tournament Parade.

PASADENA, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Augustus MacDonald left yesterday for Guatemala, Mex. Within the past two weeks they have been married twice and believing the nuptial knot is now securely tied they have started for their new home. It is the custom in Mexico to have a double ceremony, once by the clergy and once by the state, but it was not for that reason that August MacDonald, who married Miss Merriott R. Deegan last week, in-



Edith Marguerite Gray.

athletic little girl, who will run from the summit of Mt. Wilson to Tournament Park, New Year's Day.

sisted on having the knot tied again Monday night, but because he got excited when he called at the County Clerk's office for a license. The clerk gave him a health certificate to fill out. MacDonald thought it a license and hurried away to have the ceremony performed. The knot was tied by the bride's great uncle, Rev. George Frederick Deegan, who is visiting the bride's parents from Kansas. Mr. Deegan states that, being unfamiliar with marriage licenses in California, he accepted the certificate as the proper form, and after reporting the ceremony used by his church pronounced the couple husband and wife. Everything was accepted as correct, the wedding supper was served, the reception followed, and the happy pair received the congratulations of many friends. On Monday the health certificate, duly signed by the Rev. Mr. Deegan, was taken to the County Clerk's office for filing, when the mistake was discovered and MacDonald found that he was not married at all. As quickly as possible he secured the necessary document and had the proper form, he hurried to his bride and without further ceremony the marriage was duly performed.

TOURNAMENT PLANS.
President Gary and Secretary Stevens of the Tournament of Roses Association made several important announcements yesterday regarding the big event to be celebrated on New Year's Day. The line of march for the grand parade has been selected. The parade will start on South Orange Grove avenue and move north to Colorado street; east on Colorado street to Fair Oaks avenue; south on Fair Oaks avenue to Vineyard street; east on Vineyard to Raymond avenue; north on Raymond avenue to Colorado street; west on Colorado street to Fair Oaks avenue; north on Fair Oaks to Holly street; east on Holly street to Raymond avenue; south on Raymond avenue to Colorado street; east on Colorado street to Mentor; south on Mentor to San Paequal street; east on San Paequal to the road turning south, across the center of the new Throop campus, thence directly south to the entrance to Tournament Park. The parade will start promptly at 10 o'clock a.m.

Chief of Police Wood has employed twenty extra policemen and in addition a large number will come from Los Angeles to assist in maintaining order.

The Pacific Electric Railway is taking an active part in advertising the big event. It announced yesterday the probable attendance from various cities in Southern California which will total over 30,000. Street car facilities will be provided for handling that number.

E. B. Gray, father of Edith Marguerite Gray, who will run from the summit of Mt. Wilson to Tournament Park, and who is to accompany the little girl on the run, has planned a unique feature for the exhibition. In order to keep the spectators at the tournament posted on the progress of the run, he proposed to provide cash-

on prominent points on the mountain trail, where he will fire signal smoke, as did the Indians in the old days. A dense column of smoke will be sent skyward and the fire extinguished in minute's time. Gray believes he can do this while the girl is running and then catch up with her. When the lower levels are reached these smoke columns will be fired every mile at places selected previously and then the arrival can be timed almost to the minute. This is calculated to provide greater interest in the run.

The tournament officers yesterday received a large number of entries for the parade. The various commercial organizations will represent nearly every city in Southern California. To date there are seventy-five entries, which will make it the longest parade ever given here. One of the best floats will be the Pasadena High School. The W.C.T.U. will have Uncle Sam driving a great water wagon. The Board of Trade will enter an elaborate float, representative of the Crown City. The city officials will also make an interesting entry.

The list of attractions at Tournament Park includes many novel and interesting features. In the spectacular parade of the Out West Riding Club around the race track, there will be cowboys, Indians, stage coaches, bandits, robbers and various other impersonations of Wild West days. During feasts of horsemanship will be accomplished by the royal lancers, made up from the membership of the club. The pony express relay race will be an interesting event. Seven entries have been made. The race will be three miles with a change of horses

ADVANCING.
MUCH PROGRESS
IS INDICATED.BIG BUILDINGS ARE GOING UP AT
POMONA.

More Public Structures Are Being
Erected Than Ever Before in History
of Town—City Hall, Polytechnic
High School and Two Grade
Schools—North Dakota Quota.

POMONA, Dec. 28.—There is either in progress or contemplated, more public building than ever before in the history of this city. The new \$300,000 grade school on Hamilton avenue and Ninth street is being built; contracts for the \$200,000 City Hall on South Thomas street, the \$300,000 grade school on North Garey avenue, and the \$50,000 Polytechnic High School on the present grounds will be let soon. The new \$50,000 Masonic temple on South Thomas street is nearing completion, after long delay, and will be dedicated next month.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Merriam of No. 711 West Fifth avenue entertained a number of their North D. A. friends a holiday dinner yesterday. The home was ably assisted, and those present were William Love and family of Redlands, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gemmell and the Misses Gemmell, Pasadena, and Mrs. Edward Bret, Miss Lillian Ross, Park River, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Widdess and George Widdess, Grace, Utah and Margaret Merriam.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Finkle of Alton, Ill.; Mrs. D. H. Heekin, Mrs. St. Barbara of Gillespie, Ill. are guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bangert.

Rev. Dr. W. F. Harper is here arranging for the arrival of his family from San Jose. They will occupy the Halber home in Alvarado Court. Dr. Harper is the new minister of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. W. G. Wallace and daughter of Fort Wayne, Ind., are guests of Mrs. W. G. Heathman of No. 421 East Monterey avenue.

THE REAL THING.
CHECKS MAKE
UP AVALANCHE.

MONEY POURS INTO COFFERS OF
LONG BEACH.

People Who Put Off Payment of
Taxes Rush in at the Last Moment
in Order Not to Be Penalized—Fire
Destroys Grocery Store—Trainload
of Nitrates.

LONG BEACH, Dec. 28.—Tax collector Matson and his deputy were busy today checking up an avalanche of checks which poured in last night in payment of taxes. Yesterday was the last day for payment without penalty. The collections reached \$12,000, leaving unpaid about \$12,000, the usual amount of delinquency.

Fire last night destroyed a grocery store and contents at Fourth and Tenth streets, belonging to Thrift & Co. The loss is \$2000; insurance, \$1500.

A special train of twenty-five cars, loaded with nitrates, will pass through this city tomorrow from East San Pedro, filled to the City of Mexico.

El Paso. The nitrates is part of the cargo of the British ship Chile, from Chile, which is docked at the Salt Lake wharf. Four additional cars will be sent through to Salt Lake City.

HOTEL ALIENSHIP ANCHORAGE.
Manager Carl Stanley is seeking a contract with Curtiss Bros. to anchor their airship on the roof of Hotel Virginia each night during Aviation Week. A platform will be built across the roof, between the wings.

Rev. Shelton Bissell, who for the past year has been pastor of the First Congregational church, will resign January 1. It is said he has been offered a charge at La Jolla.

John Gustavson, aged 60, died last night at his home on Alamitos avenue. He was a native of Sweden, and leaves six children.

STRAIN RELIEVED.
Two more caissons under the outer wharf were cut loose this morning and dumped into the sea, relieving the structure of considerable strain.

Fire Chief Shrewsbury has a force of men stringing 16,000 feet of wire into the newly annexed territory on the east side of the city, to an extension of the fire-alarm system.

Stephen H. Underwood, elected by the Supervisors yesterday to succeed J. J. Hart, as justice of the peace, qualified today, and assumed charge of the books and records of the office. Ex-Judge Hart will become police judge Monday.

Orders from the colonel of the Seventh Regiment have been received by Co. H to attend the Tournament of Roses. The company will return to fifty men.

Guy Griffith, while walking along the wharf last evening, stubbed his toe and fell overboard to the deck of the launch. He was rendered unconscious, but beyond some bad bruises escaped serious injury.

HERMOSA BEACH.
Extensive Paving and Lighting Improvements Are Undertaken by
Wideawake Little City.

HERMOSA BEACH, Dec. 28.—After a three years' struggle with the intricacies of the Vrooman Act, the city officials have succeeded in getting a comprehensive system of street improvement started. The Barber Asphalt Company has installed an expensive plant, and is now laying concrete on Hermosa avenue, a 100-foot boulevard near the ocean front, a mile and a half in length, and extending from Redondo to Manhattan Beach.

The paving of a portion of Camino Real, from Kuylen to the ocean, is nearly completed. Contracts have been let for Park avenue, and other principal streets, and proceedings commenced to pave the beach. The work undertaken here exceeds in magnitude that of any town of equal size on the Coast, and will help to put this place in the front rank as a high-class resort.

DISCONCERTING MISTAKE.

Exchange of Overcoats at Claremont
Embarrasses Clergyman of Los
Angeles and Realty Man.

CLAREMONT, Dec. 28.—Yesterday a Los Angeles clergyman dined at the Claremont Inn, and on departing took by mistake the wrong overcoat, one belonging to a Los Angeles real estate man; the latter took the priest's overcoat. Later in the day the clergyman discovered in a pocket a deck of cards and a box of cigarettes, while the real estate man found a New Testament and a sermon.

The telephone wires were kept busy later in the day, and an exchange effected in Los Angeles.

TIME FOR A CHANGE.
ROAR OVER GAS
HEARD BY SEA.

SUPPLY DESCRIBED AS EXECRABLE
AND INSUFFICIENT.

New Council Inherits Petition from
Large Number of Consumers Asking
That Edison Company Be
Brought to Time—New Contract
for Paving Let at Higher Price.

SANTA MONICA, Dec. 28.—Through the petition of a large number of consumers, the new Council has inherited from the expired board the difficult task of providing some remedy for what the signers say is an insufficient, execrable and intolerable gas supply. The petitioners ask that the Edison Electric Company be brought to time without delay in order that suffering from cold and sickness by reason of poorly-cooked food may be obviated. Dinners half-cooked are left slowly simmering on the stoves when the quality of gas becomes so poor that the supply crawls through the mains at a snail-like pace.

The city has let the contract to J. G. Brain for the asphalt paving of the speedway alley from Hollister avenue to the southern limits. The price to be paid is 21 cents per square foot for the paving and 25 cents per linear foot for the concrete curb. This was awarded several weeks ago to the Barber Asphalt Company, but it refused to go ahead with the work, alleging minor technicalities. As the new contract is at an advance of about \$200 for the job, it is supposed the first successful bid, it concluded that their figure was too low.

TRUSTEES OPEN BIDS.
Covina Board Gets Figures for Paving
Center Street, But Does Not Let
Contract.

COVINA, Dec. 28.—The City Trustees tonight opened the bids submitted for the paving of Center street. They were: John R. Ott of Los Angeles, \$2.95 per lineal foot; O. P. Earley of Alhambra, \$2.15; R. E. Davidson of Monrovia, \$2.60 per square foot. The latter's bid was the lowest by about 15 cents per lineal foot, but he neglected to furnish a satisfactory rock he proposed to use, as was called for in the specifications. The bids were taken under consideration until tomorrow night.

All the bids are considerable higher than the property owners were led to believe the cost would be. Center street is a mile in length and runs through the city east and west. The paving of this street is the first of about thirteen miles of paving, which the city proposes to accomplish before another winter.

SOUTH PASADENA.
SOUTH PASADENA, Dec. 28.—Alhambra has petitioned this city to assist in the construction of a culvert on Dos Robles avenue, which is partly in South Pasadena and partly in Alhambra.

The Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce, on transportation W. D. Newell, C. B. Boothe and John D. Reavis; municipal affairs, Dr. F. S. Taylor, E. J. Boobyshill, George Adams, R. W. Pridham and W. H. Parsons. The chairman also announced that he received a request from the Alhambra Board of Trustees to appoint a committee to confer with a similar committee from Alhambra in regard to the practicability of merging the two cities. He named R. D. List, John Sharp and E. P. Boobyshill.

The methods of this city will not observe the city's Wednesday evening prayer meeting, but instead will go to the First Church of Pasadena, where the 125th anniversary of the Methodist Church of America will be celebrated.

A debate to occur early in January is being arranged between South Pasadena and Union High Schools, subject "Resolved, that the Senators of the United States should be chosen by the direct vote of the people." This city has the affirmative side.

REDONDO BEACH.
REDONDO BEACH, Dec. 28.—Y. B. Molinari, an Italian of Los Angeles, died suddenly this morning while visiting friends in this city. He was 60 years old and his family lives in Italy.

Rev. Jacob Mettelt, a Syrian of Nineveh, spent the first of the week here and spoke Sunday at the churches in the interests of a religious sect he represents, known as the St. Thomas Christians. He says his father was massacred a year ago by the Mohammedans near Nineveh. He is raising money for his people, who number about 15,000.

AZUSA.
AZUSA, Dec. 28.—This city will have a float in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses. It will represent a camping scene in the San Gabriel Canon, with its miner's tent shaded by a forest tree and a camp-fire with its singing kettle. Several young men are taking a three days' trip to Cold Brook Camp, twenty miles up the canon, to get the scenery. A. G. Owen, chairman of the committee, and thirty other members of the Chamber of Commerce, will go to Pasadena to decorate the float.

STREET CAR DELIVERY.
Early Newspaper and Passenger
Service.

To facilitate an earlier delivery of The Times in the southeastern and southwestern parts of the city, arrangements have been made with the street railway companies by which yellow taxis will be used to deliver the paper at the time of the first and Broadway at 4 a.m. daily. It runs via Broadway to 12th, to San Pedro, to South Park, and via Union and Mission to the city.

An interurban car, running via Hill street to San Bernardino, will be used to deliver the paper to San Bernardino, leaving The Times Office at 3:30 a.m. daily. The car will carry passengers, and will undoubtedly prove a convenience for many late night and early morning workers.

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Then for every dollar you pay us we will give you a receipt for fifty dollars. Each one you pay us up to \$25.00. The fifty-dollar Coupon, a receipt for \$25.00, and you have a receipt for \$100.00.

Do not understand that it is necessary for you to pay us the balance of the piano. Present the Coupon, and we will send your piano to your home.

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"Scotty" Stupid Spring Company
into Bad Repute and Given Option
to Buy or Sell—Burns \$20 Bills to
See Color of Flame.

(BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
CHICAGO (Ill.) Dec. 28.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) At the height of a spectacular career as a spendthrift, in which he threatened to eclipse "Scotty" of Death Valley fame, Henry C. Ostermann, founder and former president of the Ostermann Manufacturing Company of West Pullman, has severed his connection with the concern. After dazzling Walla Walla, Wash.; Detroit, Mich.; Chicago and other cities with his prodigality, he said recently he would go to Paris to teach Parisians how to spend money.

Ostermann, it was said today, not only relinquished the presidency of the company at a directors' meeting four weeks ago, but sold all his stock and withdrew from the business. In financial circles it was said the directors told him his pleasure jaunts had brought unpleasant notoriety to the company, and he must either buy out all other stockholders or sell his own holdings.

The man who burned \$20 bills to see what color the flame would be, and gave a café scrub woman \$50 to ascertain what she would do with it, was told, it is said, that he had worn out his welcome in the company's offices. He is reported to have received \$250,000 for his stock.

Not many years ago, Ostermann was poor and employed as a railroad engineer. He invented a coupler and organized a company to manufacture it. Within a few years he was wealthy.

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING
The annual meeting of the Farmers' and Merchants' National Bank of Los Angeles, California, for the year ending December 31, 1918, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the election of a board of directors to serve the ensuing year and for transacting such other business as may come the meeting.

OFFICE OF WILLIAM H. ALLEN,
NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING
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CHAS. SEYLER, of
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 11, 1919.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the Treasurer, Pacific Branch, 21 N. & 2nd St., Home, Los Angeles, Cal., until 12 o'clock, Monday, Dec. 15, and then opened, for purchase of the new 1000-acre tract, known as the "Loring Forest-tract," in the San Gabriel Valley, in accordance with the terms of the prospectus, which, with blank proposals and information, may be had upon application to W. M. Cook, Treasurer.

Joseph Ball WEATHER.

7½; common to fair. 697. Prunes, firm; California, up to 2½-lb. 2449; Oregon, 559. Apricots, firm; choice, 11401115; extra choice, 115612; fancy, 1240133. Peaches, firm choice, 4491; extra choice, 7074; fancy, 744. Raisins, unsettled; loose Muscatel, 490; choice to fancy needed, 5044; seedling, 334.

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Chicago Date Market.
CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Butter, 100 lbs., cream
eries, 25.00; Dairies, 25.00; Eggs, 1 doz., 1.00;
Hens, 1.00; Turkeys, 10 lbs., 1.00; Corn, 1 bushel,
90¢; Rye, 21¢; Prime lard, 10 lbs., 1.00;
Young America, 24¢; long, 20¢.

Liverpool Wheat Market.
LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—Close: Wheat—D
cember, 48s; May, 47s; 1912, 47s.
Flg. Weather unsettled.

Portland Wheat Market.
PORTLAND, Dec. 23.—Wheat—March prices
Club, 1.00; Blue stem, 1.30; Red, 1.30; French
turkey, 1.00; 1912, 1.00; Valley, 1.00.

New York Date Market.
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Butter, 100 lbs., 25.00;
Eggs, 1 doz., 1.00; Turkeys, 10 lbs., 1.00;
Corn, 1 bushel, 90¢; Rye, 21¢; Prime lard, 10 lbs., 1.00;
Young America, 24¢; long, 20¢.

London Hog Market.
LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—Hogs in London
Pacific Coast, 100 lbs., 10.00; 1912, 10.00.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.
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(ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.)
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Apples, 75¢/lb.; common, 50¢; 100 lbs. 100¢.
 Berries—Cranberries, 7.00/lb. 50¢.
 Pear—Common 75¢; fancy, 1.75.
 Pomegranates, 1.00/lb.
 Persimmons, 50¢/lb.
 Oranges—Navels, 1.60/lb.; Valencia, common, 1.00/lb.
 Mexican limes, 4.00/lb. 50¢.
 Lemons—Common California, 1.50/lb.; good to choice, 1.80/lb.; fancy, 4.00/lb. 50¢.
 Tropical Fruits—Bananas, 50¢/lb.; pineapples, 1.00/lb.
 In season: Family extras, 4.50/lb. 50¢; bakers' extras, 6.00/lb. 50¢; Oregon and Washington, 1.50/lb. 50¢.
 Meat—Shipping, 1.50/lb. 50¢; milling, 1.50/lb. 50¢.
 Beef—Good, 1.47/lb. 50¢; brewing, 1.50/lb. 50¢.
 Chevalier, 1.50/lb. 50¢.
 Cuts—Red, 1.67/lb. 50¢; white, 1.70/lb. 50¢; black, 1.75/lb. 50¢.

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Cashmere Bales.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Wheat, steady no trading; corn, 1.07½ bid.; barley, 1.08½ bid.; May, 1.09½ bid.; cash, 1.61½ bid. Hops, steady; large yellow, 1.75½ bid. Afternoon market quiet, no trading. Sugar, steady; May, 1.04½ bid.

San Francisco Dairy Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Butter—Fancy creamery, 55¢; extra, 54¢; standard, 53¢. Eggs—Store, 60¢; fancy ranch, 45¢; house, 19¢. Milk, young American, 19¢.

Drafts and Silver.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Silver bar, 25¢ Mexican dollars, 60¢ drafts, eight, 61¢ drafts, telegraph, 7¢.

New York Bond Market.

[Furnished by Logan & Bryan, Members New York and Boston Stock Exchanges, Bradstreet Building.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Following were the closing quotations on the boards:

Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$6
American Tobacco Co.	77 1/2
American Tobacco Co.	287 1/2
Atchafalaya Gen. Co.	99 1/2
Atchafalaya Co. Co.	22 1/2
Atchafalaya Adv. Inc. stamped	14 1/2
Atchafalaya Co. Co.	14 1/2
Atlantic Coast Line Co.	4 1/2
Atl. C. L. (L. N. Coll.) Co.	84 1/2
Bait. & Ohio 7 1/2	32 1/2
Bait. & Ohio Co.	89
Brooklyn Bridge Bldg. Co.	87 1/2
Can. Pac. Ry. Co.	100 1/2
C. & O. Co.	100 1/2

C. H. & Q. Joint Co.	97 1/2	97 1/2
C. H. & Q. III. Co.	100	100
C. H. & Q. Denver Co.	99 1/2	99 1/2

Central Pacific 1st 4s.....	94 1/2	97
Chicago & E. Ill. 4s.....	94 1/2	94
C. R. I. & P. Ref. 4s.....	90 1/2	91 1/2
C. R. I. & P. Col. Trust 4s...	93 1/2	93 1/2
Colo. & So. 1st 4s.....	94 1/2	94 1/2

D. & R. G. 4a.....	100	100
Del. & Hudson Conv. 4a.....	100	100
Eric 1st Con. P. 1. 4a.....	100	100

Inter-Met. 43	870	871
Japanese 44	870	871
Japanese Ind. 45	870	871
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N. A. N. Uni. 46	870	871
N. K. & T. 46	870	871
N. Y. Central 47	870	871
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Norfolk & Western 49	870	871
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Northern Pacific P. L.	870	871
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Ontario, St. Lawrence & Quebec 50	870	871
Oregon Ry. & Nav.	870	871
Pennsylvania Ry. & of 1941	870	871

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U. R. 44 reg.....	114	118
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U. R. R. of St. L. 44.....	75	75
Wabash reg 44.....	112	114
Western Union reg 44.....	87	87
Westinghouse Coun.....	87	87
Wisconsin Central 44.....	94	94
West Shore 44.....	107	107

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The condition of the treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

TRUST FUNDS	
Gold coin	\$999,300,000
Silver dollars	488,000,000
Silver dollars of 1890	2,955,000
Silver certificates outstanding	481,000,000
GENERAL FUND.	
Standard silver dollars in general fund	1,471,337
Current liabilities	208,000,000
Working balance in treasury office	24,150,260
In banks to credit of Treasurer of the United States	37,678,940
Subsidiary silver coin	

Minor coin 1,019.20
Total balance in mineral fund 79,322.61

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TEMPERATURES

Place	High	Low
Los Angeles	72	58
San Francisco	68	52
San Diego	75	60
Albany	65	45
Boston	60	40
New York	55	35
Chicago	50	30
St. Louis	55	35
Memphis	60	40
Shanghai	65	55
Hankow	60	50
Peking	55	45
Manila	80	70
Cebu	85	75
Yokohama	65	55
Kobe	60	50
London	50	40
Paris	45	35
Berlin	40	30
Rome	55	45
Naples	50	40
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Brussels	45	35
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See the Flying Machines

When you come down to Hamburger's it would almost seem as though Aviation Week was already here. At the south end of our Broadway front we have an Aviation window with three working flying models of airplanes and two balloons. On our fourth floor we have a free exhibition of the Glenn H. Curtiss flying machine. On our fifth floor, in the Arrow Theater, we're showing a 2000-ft. roll of original moving pictures of the first international meet at Rheims, France. Admission 5c.

Hamburger's
SAFEST PLACE TO TRADE

BROADWAY, EIGHTH AND HILL STS.

A Big Rousing Success From the Start

We knew our Pre-Inventory Sale would be a success, but we really didn't count on it coming right from the outset. If we hadn't retained practically all the extra help during the holidays we couldn't possibly have waited on the buyers bent on money-saving. Especially draw your attention to our show windows, for in every one of them are suggestions for saving money. Lots of things shown there that are not elsewhere.

Pre-Inventory Sale

Pre-Inventory Sale
Pillow Casing
42-inch bleached soft-finished casing; good quality; only 2000 yards, at, yard..... 10c

Pre-Inventory Sale
Sheeting Lengths
Unbleached; will whiten nicely; 2-yard lengths, 48c yard; 1 1/2-yard lengths at yard..... 17c

Pre-Inventory Sale
Nice Bonnets
for infants. Of felt and bearskin; ribbon trimmed; values up to \$1.25 go at..... 69c

Pre-Inventory Sale
Plate Rack Clock
For the dining-room; Mission style. Guaranteed movement. Specially priced at..... \$2

Pre-Inventory Sale
White Muffs for Children
Of pretty white bearskin. Regularly \$1; to go at..... 69c

Pre-Inventory Sale
Neat Dresses
for infants and children. Sizes to 5 years. Regular \$1.50; values; these are to go at..... 69c

Pre-Inventory Sale
Fine Sweaters
for infants. Values up to \$1.50; values; these are to go at..... 69c

Crowds upon crowds of enthusiastic women came back Tuesday after having shared in the bargains Monday. Many will come again today—for these additional garment specials.

Pre-Inventory Sale WOMEN'S COATS

Values
Up to
\$14.75
\$35

Over 200 new winter coats go into this sale. All are full length, semi and fitted effects, of fancy mixtures, plaids and novelties. Stylish auto coats with large buttons or street coats with notched collars, and man-tailored coats of fine black chiffon broadcloth or tan colored worumbo covert cloth. These are lined with guaranteed satin; three-quarters and seven-eighths fitted models. You'll find coats in this sale that are marked

Less Than Half Price

Pre-Inventory Sale
**SMART
MILLINERY**

\$2.50 plain felt shapes in black and colors; children's \$1.95 hats; \$2.00 braid turbans; \$2.50 outing hats and \$2.50 patent leather hats, all included in this sale at

50c

Pre-Inventory Sale
**WOMEN'S
HATS**

\$3.50 large felt dress shapes; \$6.50 colored plush shapes and \$4.85 braid hats—
\$1.00
\$5.00 velvet and braid toques; \$10 Marabout turbans; \$3.50 outing hats, and \$6.50 plush turbans—
\$1.50



Pre-Inventory Sale Mammoth Clearance of WOMEN'S SUITS

Entire Stock of 1200
TAILORED SUITS
Reduced Half and More

Crowds far beyond our expectations came all day Monday and early Tuesday. It was impossible to wait on all, and still for today we've added not only more salespeople, and other preparations for expeditious and comfortable trading, but extra bargain attractions. Bear in mind that OUR ENTIRE STOCK GOES IN THESE FOUR LOTS. Beautifully tailored suits of chiffon broadcloth, French serge, whipcord, homespun, diagonal, worsted, etc. There are many navies and the staple shades; also the peculiar seasonable shades and black.

Every Suit in Stock Included, as Follows:

Values to \$25 Go for **\$12.50**

Values to \$35 Go for **\$18.50**

Values to \$50 Go for **\$23.50**

Values to \$75 Go for **\$34.50**



The women's garment store all in itself it would be so great are the throngs of shoppers.

Pre-Inventory Sale WOMEN'S DRESSES

Values
Up to
\$14.75
\$35

Without doubt the best dresses offered this season. Here they are of broadcloth, prunella, worsteds, fancy checks, taffeta and messaline shown. Plain tailored street dresses, and also the ornate affairs for semi-formal occasions. Dainty pastel and black Princess effects and designs in profusion.

Less Than Half Price

Pre-Inventory Sale

WOMEN'S \$5 SWEATERS

\$2.95

A great, big assortment of sturdy, durable sweaters, in gray, red, white and navy. Plain and fancy weaves. Mannish coat effects in close-fitting, well-made styles, woven of splendid pure wool yarns; 36 inches long.

\$2.95

Pre-Inventory Sale

SMART NEW \$5 WAISTS

\$2.50

Here's the waist you want. Only 250 of them, but both messaline and taffetas, and both the strict tailored effects and styles trimmed with lace or silk braid. Silk in every one dependable; black and best colors.

\$2.50

Pre-Inventory Sale FINE GRAY ENAMELED WARE

Most Wanted Articles at About a Third Regular Value.

2 qt. baking pan 10c
Wail soap dish 10c
Cup tea strainers 10c
Long handle spoon 10c
3 qt. milk pan 15c
3 qt. pudding pan 15c

3 qt. deep stew pan 15c
3 qt. baking pan 15c
Long handled dipper 15c
2 qt. lip sauce pan 15c
4-inch fry pan 15c
5 qt. milk pan 15c

At 38c
10 qt. seamless water pail.
5 qt. Berlin kettle and cover.
5 qt. Berlin sauce pot and cover.

At 47c
17 qt. dish pans.
5 qt. Berlin sauce pot and cover.
12 qt. seamless water pail.

At 69c
7 qt. tea kettles.
21 qt. dish pans.
5 qt. rice boilers.
Large size foot tubs 85c.

4 qt. lip sauce pan 18c
4 qt. preserving kettle 18c
2 qt. Berlin sauce pan 18c
4 qt. deep stew pan 18c
13-inch wash basin 18c
3 qt. milk pan 18c

5 qt. Berlin sauce pan 25c
5 qt. lip sauce pan 25c
6 qt. handled bake pan 25c
5 qt. milk pan 25c
4 qt. preserving kettle 25c
Medium size chambers

Pre-Inventory Sale

INFANTS' COATS

Smart bearskin coats in white and dark colors. Made in full box style, with turnover collar and cuffs. In sizes up to 4 years. Positively the best values ever at
\$1.75

Pre-Inventory Sale

Fine K. Dinnerware

Green and gold and den decorations, plates, each 75c; cups and saucers, 75c; all sizes plates, 75c; meat plates, 75c; covered dishes, 75c; 19c; creamer, 19c; \$20 100-Pc Dinner Set.

SAN BERNARDINO. BIG RANCH AND WATER SOLD.

ARROWHEAD POWER COMPANY IS THE PURCHASER.

Pays Handsome Figure for Valuable Property and Mojave River Rights. Daughter of Eastern Millionaire Comes Across Continent to Recover Daughter from Husband.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TIMES.
SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 23.—The Rancho Los Flores, along the Mojave River, one of the finest in the county, has been sold to Victor Smith for the Arrowhead Reservoir & Power Company. Deeds transferring title from H. E. Harris to Smith were placed on record today.

rights in the Mojave River. These are really the incentive for the purchase, for with these controlled by the Arrowhead Reservoir & Power Company, chances for serious litigation are greatly reduced.

There are more than 5000 acres in the ranch. It is the general belief here that the power company will locate its plants on the desert side of the mountains, and convey all the flood waters impounded in the Little Bear Valley to that section. This theory is based upon the knowledge that all the water being impounded naturally drains into the desert through the Mojave River.

Mrs. Mary K. Magaw, daughter of a millionaire of Brookline, Mass., after having her 2-year-old daughter kidnapped by her husband, Prof. William Magaw, trailed him across the continent. With the assistance of Under Sheriff Charles Ward she located the two at Mesa Grande, Ariz., where the law was appealed to, and she returned happy in the possession of the little one.

This is the second wife Magaw has become involved with soon after marriage. A few years ago he married Miss Jessie Vaughn, of a prominent Cotton family. She soon commenced suit for divorce, Magaw filing a cross-complaint. The trial proved a sensational one, the wife winning her decree. Magaw appealed, and the Supreme Court affirmed the decision of

the lower court.

Magaw went away, and there was general surprise when his second wife, a pretty woman, of marked refinement, suddenly appeared a week ago, having traversed the continent in search of her baby. Under Sheriff Ward found that Magaw was teaching school in the little Arizona town of Mesa Grande.

The meeting between husband and wife was devoid of sensation, both treating each other with consideration. By the advice of counsel, Magaw surrendered her baby girl. During the conference, Mrs. Magaw declared she was responsible for their separation.

Jack O'Brien, watchman at the Desert Queen mine, on the desert, took seven shots at Sidney Barber, alleged would-be claim jumper, yesterday. It is declared that the two men have had trouble for some time, owing to Barber's interest in several placer claims owned by O'Brien. Sunday Barber is alleged to have taken a Los Angeles mining man to the claims, and yesterday a second visit was made, the shooting following. No one was hurt.

E. A. Harrington, prospector and miner, is supposed to have lost his life in the snow of Crystal Lake country, Nev., according to word received here. He had a lease from Pat Reagan on a mining claim in the Lundy Hills, and while tramping back to camp from the post route was buried

under an avalanche. Miners are now searching for him. It is said the snow lies twenty-five feet deep on the trail where he disappeared, having slipped from an immense area on the mountain slopes above.

Jesse W. Quick, clerk for the Magill shoe house here, cannot be found. It is alleged he took \$200 belonging to the store. The officers have been notified. It was at first supposed by Magill that the clerk went off on a Christmas spree, but as he failed to return to work today his disappearance was reported. He leaves a wife and family destitute.

Statistics announced by the Mississippi State Board of Health show that 188 cases of pellagra were under treatment in Mississippi during the year just closing. An additional twenty-one cases were treated at the State Charity Hospital at Vicksburg. Ninety-one deaths occurred. The heaviest mortality is reported from Lauderdale county, where out of forty-three cases twenty-six deaths occurred.

The old Cunard liner Umbria, which gave the New York water front a thrill when she came over the first time in 1884 will arrive here on Saturday on what will probably be her last trans-Atlantic voyage. She has outlived her usefulness and nobody wanted the old flyer. On her trial trip she developed a speed of twenty-one knots which in those days was considered marvelous.

IMPERIAL VALLEY. ACT PROVIDES NEEDED RELIEF.

INDORSED BY THE EL CENTRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Members of Senatorial Irrigation Committee Who Recently Visited Region Keep Their Promise to Setters by Introducing Measure into Congress.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TIMES.
EL CENTRO, Dec. 23.—When members of the Senatorial Irrigation Committee were in El Centro recently they publicly pledged themselves to work for the purpose of securing legislation that will be of relief to the harassed Imperial Valley settlers. In line with this is the action of the El Centro Chamber of Commerce in endorsing a proposed act of Congress whereby relief for bona-fide settlers can be obtained. This proposed act is designated "An act for the relief of bona-fide reclaimers of desert lands," and says:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and

House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that an act entitled "An act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and Territories," approved March 3, 1877, and amended March 3, 1891, is amended by adding thereto the following section:

"Section 4.—That the records of the Land Office shall be conclusive evidence of the validity of a desert land entry when the claim passes by assignment to a qualified entryman, and no defect of original entry shall impair the right to final certificate and patent of an innocent purchaser (without notice) of such assignment, provided such assignee shall have complied in good faith with the requirements of this act."

Copies of the bill have been sent to Gov. J. N. Gillett for his approval, to the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and to the United States Senators who recently visited this valley.

F. B. Fuller has awarded to the Oranstonal Stone Company of Los Angeles the contract for material for the exterior walls of the El Centro National Bank building, to be erected at the northeast corner of Fifth and Main streets. The frontages are to be of granite-faced artificial stone, with white stone trimmings. The interior walls will be of valley brick.

The El Centro National Bank has purchased of J. W. Colson two lots on the north side of Main street, at

Joining the site for the bank building, 50x75 feet on the west side of Main street, and one of the corner street frontages.

N. Takahashi, Japanese Imperial representative, recently visited this valley with a view to securing sufficient amount of land for the Imperial Valley project.

January 1st.

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